Sum of torques equals rotational moment of inertia times angular acceleration.  $\tau_m$  is the motor torque in N-m, *I* is the rotational moment of inertia of the telescope in kg-m<sup>2</sup>,  $K_f$ is the proportionality constant relating friction and resisting torque in N-m/(rad/s) and  $\omega$ is its angular position in radians.

$$
\underbrace{\tau_m(t)}_{\substack{\text{motor} \\ \text{torque} \\ \text{due to friction}}} - \underbrace{K_f \omega'_T(t)}_{\substack{\text{resisting torque} \\ \text{due to friction}}} = I \omega''_T(t) \Rightarrow \omega''_T(t) + \left(K_f / I\right) \omega'(t) = (1 / I) \tau_m(t)
$$

 $s^{2} \Omega_{T}(s) + s(K_{f}/I) \Omega_{T}(s) = (1/I) T_{m}(s)$ 

Let the transfer function relating applied dc voltage to torque for the motor be

$$
H_m(s) = \frac{K_{\tau}\omega_{cm}}{s + \omega_{cm}}
$$

where  $K_{\tau}$  is in N-m/V and  $\omega_{cm}$  is the radian corner frequency of the motor's frequency response. The telescope transfer function, angular position in radians divided by torque in N-m is

$$
H_T(s) = \frac{\Omega_T(s)}{T_m(s)} = \frac{1/I}{s(s+K_f/I)}
$$

The forward-path transfer function of the unity-gain feedback system for positioning the telescope is H1 (*s*) = *KA* H*<sup>m</sup>* (*s*)H*<sup>T</sup>* (*s*)*K*<sup>ω</sup>

$$
H_1(s) = K_A H_m(s) H_T(s) K_\omega
$$

where  $K_A$  is the voltage amplifier gain in V/V and  $K_\omega$  is the proportionality constant relating telescope angular position to voltage of the position-measuring system in V/rad.

Overall system feedback transfer function.

$$
H(s) = \frac{H_1(s)}{1 + H_1(s)}
$$

Let the initial position of the telescope be at zero radians and let the desired position be one radian. Then the forcing function is  $v_{set} = K_{\omega} u(t)$  volts and  $V_{set}(s) = K_{\omega}/s$ . Simulate in MATLAB.